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APPLICANT: HUTHWOHL ET AL-1

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated October 1, 2004 with the due date for response being January 1, 2005 please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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